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Docket No.: 1247-0523P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/333,266 filed on June 15, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

Takashi TSUJI

for

DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND MEDIUM FOR STORING COMMUNICATION CONTROL PROGRAM

1. ☒ Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

	BASIC FEE		LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	16-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3-3 =	0	x 84 = \$0.00	x 42 = \$0.00
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TOTAL			\$750.00	\$0.00

3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. ☒ Enclosed is/are eight (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 6a. ☐ A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/333,266 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 6b. ☐ The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha, 22-22, Nagaike-cho, Abeno-ku, Osaka, Japan.
8. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 9a. ☒ Priority of Application No(s). 10-167083 filed in Japan on June 15, 1998 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on June 15, 1999.
- 9b. ☐ Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____ Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

10. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
11. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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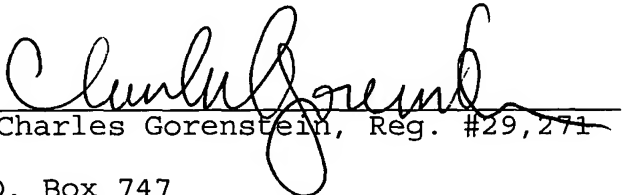
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12. ☒ An extension of time for two (2) month(s) until September 15, 2003 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/333,266 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
13. ☒ Also enclosed herewith is the following:

Request for Personal Interview

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment(s)

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REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW

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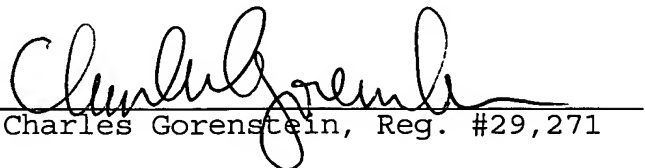
September 15, 2003

Sir:

This Request for Personal Interview is being filed concurrently with a continuation application. In order to further prosecution in the present application, Applicant respectfully requests an Interview. Prior to issuing any Action in response to this continuation application, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's representative, Catherine M. Voisinnet (Reg. No. 52,327) at telephone number (703-208-4005) in order to discuss this application.

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